

BIRMINGHAM READY TO RECEIVE THE VETERANS

Prominent Officers of Confederate Grand Camp Have Established Headquarters.

ATLANTA AFTER NEXT REUNION

Georgia City Has Delegation on the Ground at Work—First Session of Convention Opens This Morning at 10 O'clock, With Prayer by Chaplain Jones, of Richmond.

(By Associated Press.)
BIRMINGHAM, ALA., June 8.—Everything is ready for the opening of the annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, which begins in Birmingham tomorrow. The crowds began to arrive earlier than expected, and every passenger train entering the city today carried extra coaches. Practically all of the prominent officers of the organization came in today and opened their headquarters.

Thus far Atlanta is the only Southern city with a delegation on hand working for the next reunion. There is already much rivalry and politics in the air as to the commander to succeed the late General Stephen D. Lee.

General Cabell, of the Trans-Mississippi Department, has the advantage of seniority in rank, but the veterans themselves will have the decision of the question of the most available man to fill the place.

General Clement A. Evans, of Georgia, commander of the Department of Tennessee has some strong workers in the field who are interesting themselves in his behalf.

Hotel John B. Gordon has already proved itself one of the most popular places in the city. This is the name given to the hotel which was equipped at the state fair grounds and it is here that all comers who wish will be entertained free.

The convention will be called to order tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock by General Harrison, commander of the Alabama division and will be opened with prayer by the chaplain, General William Jones, of Richmond.

General Harrison will deliver an address and Governor B. B. Comer, of Alabama will welcome the veterans in behalf of the state. Welcoming addresses will be made by Mayor Ward, of Birmingham; Brigadier General J. W. Bush, of Camp Hardee, Birmingham; Rufus N. Rhodes of Camp Morgan-Pettus, Sons of Veterans, Birmingham, and Mrs. Charles G. Brown, president Alabama Daughters of the Confederacy.

General W. L. Cabell will assume charge and deliver a response.

In the afternoon the addresses of Colonel E. L. Russell, of Mobile, reunion orator, and Judge A. O. Wright, of Jacksonville, Fla., commander of the Confederate Naval Veterans, will be delivered.

There will be band concerts and open air reunions in capitol park late in the afternoon, and Governor and Mrs. Comer will hold a reception at night.

There will also be concerts at the Hippodrome and fireworks at the fair grounds.

FAILING TO GET JUSTICE IN COURT, SHE USED PISTOL

Sarah Koten Tells Coroner's Jury Why She Killed Dr. Auspitz.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, June 8.—Sarah Koten, the young trained nurse who lured Dr. Martin W. Auspitz to a house in Harlem last night by a false telephone call and shot him to death after he had lain in wait for him for many hours, declared today that she had no regret for her act.

Miss Koten wept as she told her story in the coroner's court. She said that she came to America from Russia six months ago and secured a position as a nurse in Dr. Auspitz's private hospital last November. Dr. Auspitz, she declared, visited her room in the hospital and assaulted her. When she found that she was to become a mother she said, the doctor suggested a criminal operation, but she refused to permit it and left the hospital. "I had no friends and no money," said Miss Koten. "I was very poor and could not get work because of my condition. I promised a lawyer and had Dr. Auspitz brought before the court of general sessions. My witnesses were discredited and everything went his way. After he was acquitted, I was advised to go to the district attorney's office. There I saw Assistant District Attorney Kro-

TEI AND HE TOLD ME THAT INASMUCH AS THE CASE HAD BEEN TRIED THERE WAS NOTHING MORE TO BE DONE.

The young woman broke down and wept, pulled her hair and struck her breast with her hands.

"Then," she said, "I decided that if I could not get justice in the courts I would be my own avenger. I could have killed him in his own home, but I feared to do that. I should injure someone else. So I decided to call him into that hallway. I waited and waited and then he came, I fired the shot."

Coroner Harburger held Miss Koten without bail to await the inquest on June 16.

EIGHTY CHINAMEN LOST WITH WRECKED STEAMER

British Passenger Liner Powan Strikes Rock Off Lantau and Goes to Pieces.

(By Associated Press.)
HONG KONG, June 8.—The British passenger steamer Powan running between Hong Kong, Canton and Macao, struck on a rock off Lantau Island last night and it is feared that eighty natives are missing, but all the European passengers and officers of the steamer were rescued.

The rock on which the Powan struck is near Capsum Pass. Lantau is a long, narrow and mountainous island in the mouth of the Canton river about 17 miles east of Macao.

The Powan was a twin screw steamer of 2,339 tons, built at Glasgow, and belonged to the Hong Kong, Canton & Macao Steamship Company, Limited.

Oregon for Bryan

PORTLAND, ORE., June 8.—The Oregon Democratic state convention will meet tomorrow to select delegates and alternates to the Democratic national convention and presidential electors. Instructions to vote for Bryan will probably be given to the delegates.

G. O. P. PLATFORM READY

Wade Ellis Takes Complete Draft to Secretary Taft.

ABOUT SAME AS OHIO DOCUMENT

Tariff Revision at Extra Session of Congress, Immediately Following the Inauguration, One of the Principal Planks.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 8.—Bringing with him the completed draft of the platform which it is proposed to present to the committee at Chicago, Wade Ellis, attorney-general of Ohio, returned today from Virginia Beach and went direct to the war department where he was in conference with Secretary Taft for some time.

Both Secretary Taft and Mr. Ellis are adverse to making any statement regarding the platform, but it nevertheless was definitely ascertained that aside from the enlargement of the tariff plank of the Ohio platform so as to declare for maximum and minimum schedules, and for a revision of the tariff at an extra session of Congress immediately following the inauguration, the platform to be presented at Chicago will be substantially the Ohio document.

ENGINEER CAPTURES ALLEGED MURDERERS

Nervy N. & W. Trainman Uses Pick as Weapon and Bell Cord to Bind Prisoners.

(By Associated Press.)
ROANOKE, VA., June 8.—Three negroes, John W. Denon, Charles Herling and Thomas Kenan, wanted at Winston-Salem, N. C., for the murder of Peter Denon, also colored, at that place Sunday night, were captured on a Norfolk & Western freight train today by its engineer, J. Edgar Webb.

The engineer discovered the alleged murderers on his train at Rocky Mount, Va., 29 miles south of Roanoke. He held the trio up with a pick and bound them with the bell cord from his locomotive. He brought the negroes to Roanoke, where they were jailed. Wooden admits he fired the shot that killed Denon.

Newport Hotel Burned

NEWPORT, R. I., June 8.—The new Cliff hotel on Cliff Island, one of the famous resorts of this city, was burned early this morning and at 2 o'clock the firemen were devoting their efforts to saving nearby buildings.

SAYS PARIS IS MENAGED BY A SORT OF MAFIA

Editor Rochefort, of the Patri, Makes Ugly Insinuations Against the Government.

NOT TRYING TO SOLVE MYSTERY

Practically Charging Clemenceau Administration With Murdering Adolphe Steinhil, the Writer Says No Robbery Was Committed When Artist Was Killed.

PARIS, FRANCE, June 8.—Henry Rochefort, the editor of the Patri, whose bitter enmity to the Clemenceau government is well known, insinuates in the Patri that the police do not desire to solve the mystery of the murder of Adolphe Steinhil, the noted painter, which occurred more than a week ago. Yet, he says, he could solve the mystery in an hour if permitted to do so.

He insists that the alleged robbery of the Steinhil house never occurred. "The government deceives itself," he continues, "if it imagines that this affair will die out. It attracts more interest than many sensational crimes. After the mysterious death of M. Felix Faure, the president of the republic on the day on which the decree for the revision of the Dreyfus affair was to have been presented and which he would have refused to sign after the pretended suicide of M. Gabriel Syvestre on the day before he would have been acquitted of assaulting War Minister Andre and now after the strangulation of Steinhil by three men and a woman, who did not carry away even a spoon, Parisians are menaced by a sort of Mafia."

"Let an individual be suspected of having in his possession documents embarrassing to those in power, and next morning he may be found with a bullet in his head, a knife in his breast, or a cord around his neck."

FIVE INJURED IN RIOT ON ST. LOUIS STREET CAR

Rowdies Threw Motorman Off and a Volunteer Substitute Did the Rest.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. LOUIS, MO., June 8.—Five persons were injured as the result of a riot on an eastbound Market street car at Eleventh street tonight. The motorman and one of his assistants are at the city hospital, the former in a critical condition, while David O'Brien, a spectator, was run over by the street car after the riot. His leg was cut off and he may die.

Miss Beatrice A. Trask, of Richmond Heights, who fainted when the controllers' fuse exploded, was taken to the city hospital.

The trouble on the car began when it left West End Heights to run into the city. Several men boarded the car and became engaged in an altercation with Conductor Riffe concerning payment of fares. After a time Beverly Brown struck Riffe in the face. A free fight resulted.

Motorman Pacheiser stopped the car and went to the assistance of the conductor. Pacheiser was pitched head first from the car. After policemen had quelled the fighters, a man volunteered to run the car. The conductor accepted the offer and the stranded train got on its way.

At Eighth street, O'Brien stood waiting to board the car. The volunteer motorman failed to stop the car, which was traveling at a high rate of speed. O'Brien attempted to swing on board, fell and plunged under the wheels, cutting off his right leg and mashing his left.

In this excitement, the volunteer motorman escaped. Conductor Riffe was taken into custody, but was soon released to go to the hospital.

Beverly Brown, at the hospital, is under arrest.

Joseph Looney, charged with being Brown's accomplice, in assaulting Conductor Riffe, was also arrested.

Division in Rhode Island

(By Associated Press.)
PROVIDENCE, R. I., June 8.—The Rhode Island delegation to the Democratic convention showed itself evenly divided on the question of endorsing W. J. Bryan for the presidential nomination at a meeting late this afternoon. As a result the delegation will go to Denver unhampered by resolution or instructions for any candidate.

CONGRESSMAN HEFLIN WILL NOT APPEAR TODAY

Docket of Washington Criminal Court is Crowded, and Case Goes Over Until October.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, June 8.—Representative Thomas Hefflin, of Alabama, whose arraignment on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon on Louis Lundy, a negro, aboard a street car near Pennsylvania avenue and Sixth street on March 27 last, had been announced for tomorrow, will not appear in court then.

Mr. Hefflin proceeded to his home in Alabama immediately after the adjournment of Congress.

The case cannot be tried until the October term of court, as the docket of the criminal court is crowded and the summer recess of the court will begin in a few weeks.

CONSTABLE SHOT WHILE TRYING TO ENTER HOUSE

Woman Barricaded Chimney, and Officer's Revolver is Said to Have Gone Off When Climbing Out.

(Special to the Daily Press.)
TAZEWELL, VA., June 8.—R. V. Chambers, constable for the new garden district of Buchanan county, was this afternoon shot and so seriously wounded that he will die while attempting to enter the home of a woman, Mrs. Coleman, by way of the chimney.

The officer and a friend had gone to the home of the woman, where they were denied admittance. Climbing to the roof the two men attempted to gain an entrance by means of the wide chimney. Upon reaching the bottom, however, they found that the fireplace had been closed up.

The shooting took place while Chambers was making his exit. The ball penetrated a vital part of the body. The officer is said to have been shot by the accidental discharge of his own revolver.

THOROUGH INVESTIGATION ON CRUISER TENNESSEE

Findings Concerning Explosion of the Boiler Tube Will Be Made Public from Washington.

(By Associated Press.)

SAN PEDRO, CAL., June 8.—The funeral of F. S. Maxfield, a negro, one of two second class firemen who died of injuries sustained in the explosion on board the cruiser Tennessee last week, was held today. The body was buried alongside his five shipmates, who were interred on Saturday in Harborview cemetery.

The funeral was attended with military honors and many officers and men were present.

The body of J. P. Carroll, the seventh victim of the accident, is held on orders from Washington. Maxfield was one of the men mentioned by the officers of the Tennessee as certain to be recommended for bravery.

He was credited with having shut off the steam valve while his injured comrades were seeking to escape from the steam-filled compartment.

The special board of inquiry appointed to investigate the explosion resumed its sittings today.

The board will not complete its work until tomorrow night or Wednesday morning.

Making Thorough Investigation.

The board, which is composed of Captain C. E. Fox, commanding the cruiser South Dakota; Lieutenant Commander C. N. Offy, of the United States ship Maryland, and Lieutenant J. C. Robey, chief engineer of the South Dakota and chief engineer of the Pacific squadron, is making a thorough investigation of all phases of the accident.

Many of the crew who were in the vicinity when the boiler tube burst and survivors of the explosion have been examined.

Defective Tube Examined.

The board has made an examination of the boiler room and the defective tube. An important witness was Lieutenant Commander Ashley E. Robertson, chief engineer of the Tennessee, who was in charge of the engine and fire rooms of the ship at the time of the accident.

When the board has completed its inquiry its report will be forwarded to the secretary of the navy at Washington and the finding will be made public after the examination.

Bandits Rob a Pay Train

(By Associated Press.)

MEXICO CITY, June 8.—Word came last night that bandits attacked a pay train on the way to the Los Grandes mines near Balsas, in the state of Guerrero. Of the escort of four men three were killed and one was wounded. Four thousand dollars was stolen. Rurales are in pursuit of the highwaymen. The mine belongs to an American company.

SAND GETS INTO TAFT'S POLITICAL MACHINERY

Proposition to Divide Louisiana Delegation Creates Some Consternation.

ADJOURNMENT PREVENTS A VOTE

There Will be a Sharp Counting of Noses Before Any Chance is Taken, and as the War Secretary People Propose to Submit to No Compromise.

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, June 8.—A few handfuls of sand were thrown into the cylinders of the Taft political machine today. From the Taft's men membership came a proposition to divide the Louisiana delegation with the opposition, seating both Taft and anti-Taft delegations with a half a vote each. The number of members of the national committee who favored the movement created some consternation in the Taft camp.

Taft's friends on the committee brought about an adjournment rather than permit a vote to be taken today.

Before the Louisiana contest, which involves four delegates-at-large and fourteen district delegates, is brought to a vote tomorrow, noses will be sharply counted.

Members of the committee who have been ardent Taft supporters, but who have shown a disposition to yield to the appeals of the allied forces to compromise in the interest of harmony, will be subjected to pressure from Washington.

There Will be No Compromise.

Manager Frank H. Hitchcock, of the Taft campaign committee, announced today that there would be no compromise. He preferred to fight for the seating of delegates in favor of Taft and declared that he would insist that the committee pass on all contests.

To settle them in any other way he said would be unfair to the delegations themselves. He expressed the opinion that the committee has not shirked the responsibility of sitting in judgment on every contest, and in this view he is sustained by nearly every committeeman from the West and the South and many from the North.

Thus far contests have been settled from the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia and Kentucky, and there has been no division of the committee in disposing of any of them.

The reason for this has been the rules which demand a roll call on any question unless it is demanded by the 20 members, and the anti-Taft people have not that number on the committee.

The suggestion for a division of contesting delegations has become more frequent from day to day. The plan for a division in Louisiana suggested today was favored by Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, and General Powell Clayton, of Arkansas.

Hasty conferences were held by the Taft members of the committee during the hearing of the Louisiana contest and the decision was reached that it would be wise to adjourn until they ascertained exactly where they stood.

Conferred With Taft.

Mr. Hitchcock called up Secretary Taft in Washington. Charles H. Taft, brother of the secretary of state, did some telephoning and telegraphing on his own account.

E. C. Duncan, of North Carolina, and A. C. Lyon, of Texas, and some others grew energetic.

What the effect of the many messages will be cannot be accurately told until after the vote tomorrow. Manager Hitchcock feels that there is far more at stake in the movement for a compromise in Louisiana than appears on its surface.

Similar contests are coming from Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina and Virginia. The plan for a compromise in Louisiana is based on the argument that the negro question is involved and that some recognition that would appease the negro vote of the South should be given the Foraker delegation.

Race Question Involved.

being several negroes on the delegation from each Southern state. More than 150 delegates are involved in the settlement of these contests from Southern states yet to be settled.

Taft men declare that if they make concessions now they may expect further demands.

Sixteen votes were gained for Taft today by the settlement of contests.

Two of these came from Florida, six from Georgia and eight from Kentucky. These were all the contests heard by the committee.

The settlement of the Kentucky cases engendered more ill feeling than has been engendered since the committee began its work.

Senator-elect W. O. Bradley, of Kentucky, began his work as counsel for the Fairbanks faction today. The cases of Kentucky were quickly settled and the Taft delegates were seated.

The Fifth district then was taken up.

Bradley Speaks at Length.

This is the Louisville district, the home of Mr. Bradley. He spoke at length. The time of each side having been extended to 25 minutes. During his speech he made the suggestion that if Taft is nominated it would be doubtful whether he could carry the state of Kentucky, whereupon Clayton Blakey, attorney for the Taft delegation, charged that Mr. Bradley had stumped the state for Fairbanks, making just that sort of argument.

Mr. Bradley denied the charge and Mr. Blakey replied that he had seen letters written by Mr. Bradley making such claims and that he had personally received one of the letters.

Mr. Bradley was defeated in his case and declined to continue with the two remaining Kentucky contests. He said that he would carry them to the credentials committee of the convention.

The committee promptly seated the Taft delegation.

Vain Effort for Division.

The effort to secure a division of

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MURDER AND SUICIDE

Cleveland Architect Shoots His Wife and Then Himself.

JEALOUSY SAID TO HAVE BEEN CAUSE

Charles H. Corlett Shot Mort of His Time in City, Leaving His Beautiful Young Wife at Home in Suburb, and Tragedy Followed.

(By Associated Press.)

CLEVELAND, OHIO, June 8.—Charles H. Corlett, prominent architect and head of the Corlett Engineering Company, killed his wife, Elizabeth, and then ended his own life in a hotel in Willoughby, a Cleveland suburb, tonight.

The double tragedy is said to have been the result of jealousy. Mr. and Mrs. Corlett were well known in Cleveland society, and for five years have resided at the hotel.

Mr. Corlett was in Cleveland most of the time, however, going back and forth two or three times a week. The couple have had several serious quarrels lately, it is claimed.

Tonight shortly after Corlett returned from Cleveland, three shots were heard by the guests. When the hotel proprietor burst in the door he found Mrs. Corlett dead on the floor.

Nearby was the almost lifeless body of her husband. A revolver lay near his outstretched hand. The man died a few minutes later. There was a bullet wound in the dead woman's temple and another in her breast. The husband had shot himself once in the forehead. Mr. Corlett was thirty-eight years old. His wife was four years younger. She was a beautiful woman.

CZAR AND PARTY ON TRAIN

Bound for Enslang to Vash King Edward.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 8.—Emperor Nicholas and other members of the imperial family accompanied by a large suite, left St. Petersburg at 7:30 tonight, for Revel.

The royal train will travel over the special imperial track to Gatchina, 30 miles from St. Petersburg, and thence over the Baltic line to Revel, where they will arrive tomorrow morning.

Battleships Coming Home

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., June 8.—The battleships Maine and Alabama composing the special service squadron under command of Captain G. R. Harber, sailed early today on their return trip to the Atlantic, by way of Honolulu, Manila and Guam.

NATIONAL NOTABLES ON THE NEW COMMISSION

President Appoints Distinguished Body of Men to Advise Him as to Conservation of Resources.

SUGGESTED BY THE GOVERNORS

Idea is to Have the Organization Confer and Act in Conjunction With Similar Bodies Throughout the Country—Numerous Southerners on the Long List of Appointees.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, June 8.—In accordance with the suggestion made by the governors at their conference at the White House in May, the President today appointed a national conservation commission to consider and advise him on questions relating to the conservation of the natural resources of the country, and to co-operate with similar bodies which may be designated by the several states.

The personnel of the commission is as follows:

Waters—Theodore E. Burton, Ohio, chairman; Senators William B. Allison, Iowa; Francis G. Newlands, Nevada; William Warner, Missouri; and John H. Bankhead, Alabama; W. J. McGee, bureau of soils, secretary; F. H. Newell, reclamation service; Gifford Pinchot, forest service; Herbert Knox Smith, bureau of corporations; Representative Joseph H. Ransdell, Louisiana; Professor George F. Swain, Institute of Technology, Massachusetts; the chief of engineers, United States army.

Forests—Senators Reed Smoot, Utah, chairman; Albert J. Beveridge, Indiana, and Charles A. Culberson, Texas; Representatives Charles F. Scott, Kansas, and Champ Clark, Missouri; J. B. White, Missouri; Professor Henry S. Graves, Yale forest school, Connecticut; William LeVine, Wisconsin; ex-Governor Newton C. Blanchard, Louisiana; Charles L. Peck, New Jersey; Gustav Schwab, national council of commerce, New York; Overton W. Price, forest service, secretary.

Lands—Senators Knute Nelson, Minnesota, chairman, and Francis E. Warren, Wyoming; Representatives John Sharp Williams, Mississippi; Swager Cherley, Kentucky, and Herbert Parson, New York; ex-Governor N. B. Broward, Florida; James J. Hill, Minnesota; ex-Governor George C. Hardee, California; Charles McDonald, American society of civil engineers, New York; Mardo MacKenzie, Colorado; Frank C. Goudy, Colorado; George W. Woodruff, interior department, secretary.

Minerals—Representative John Dalzell, Pennsylvania, chairman; Senators Joseph M. Dixon, Montana; Frank P. Flint, California, and Lee S. Overman, North Carolina; Representatives Philo Hall, South Dakota; and James L. Slaydon, Texas; Andrew Carnegie, New York; Professor Charles R. Van Hise, Wisconsin; John Mitchell, Illinois; John Hayes Hammond, Massachusetts; Dr. Irving Fisher, Yale university; Joseph A. Holmes, geological survey, secretary.

Executive Committee—Gifford Pinchot, chairman; Representatives Theodore E. Burton, Senator Reed Smoot, Senator Knute Nelson, Representative John Dalzell, W. J. McGee, Overton W. Price, W. W. Woodruff, Joseph A. Holmes.

NAMES OF NEW BATTLESHIPS

Florida and Utah Agreed Upon at White House Conference.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 8.—Secretary McCall today announced that the new battleships authorized at the last session of Congress will be named Florida and Utah.

He said the next battleship authorized will be given the name of Wyoming. The name of the monitor Florida will be changed to that of some city in that state.

This announcement was made after a conference between the President and the secretary.

Elephant Killed by Train

(By Associated Press.)

NEW ALBANY, IND., June 8.—Seizing a horse with his trunk, an enraged circus elephant today dashed the animal across the ground and it had pounded the horse's life out. Showmen were loading the animal on a train when the horse was killed.